

DEATHS AFTER RETIREMENT: Since the System has minimal post-retirement mortality experience, the System uses the same mortality tables used for the Employees' Retirement System of Georgia. The RP-2000 Combined Mortality Table projected to 2025 with projection scale BB and set forward 2 years for both males and females is used for the period after retirement and for dependent beneficiaries. For the period after disability retirement, the RP-2000 Disabled Mortality Table projected to 2025 with projection scale BB and set back 7 years for males and set forward 3 years for females is used. There is a margin for future mortality improvement in the tables used by the System. Based on the results of the most recent experience study adopted by the Board on December 17, 2015, the numbers of expected future deaths are 9-12% less than the actual number of deaths that occurred during the study period for healthy retirees and disabled retirees. Representative values of the assumed annual rates of mortality for service retirements and beneficiaries are as follows:

Age	Men	Women	Age	Men	Women
40	0.113%	0.079%	65	1.130%	0.899%
45	0.161	0.123	70	1.870	1.528
50	0.247	0.187	75	3.215	2.522
55	0.425	0.292	80	5.516	4.163
60	0.699	0.492	85	9.563	7.124

ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES: Budgeted expenses for the fiscal year are added to the normal cost contribution.

AMORTIZATION METHOD AND PAYROLL GROWTH ASSUMPTION: Level percentage of payroll, assuming payroll will increase 3.25% per year.

ASSET METHOD: Market value.

PERCENT MARRIED: For members hired on and after July 1, 2012, 100% are assumed to be married. For these members and for members who have elected spouse coverage, husbands are assumed to be three years older than their wives.

VALUATION METHOD: Entry age actuarial cost method.



SCHEDULE F

FUNDING POLICY OF THE JRS BOARD OF TRUSTEES

The purpose of this Funding Policy is to state the overall objectives for the Georgia Judicial Retirement System (System), the benchmarks that will be used to measure progress in achieving those goals, and the methods and assumptions that will be employed to develop the benchmarks. It is the intent of the JRS Board of Trustees that the Funding Policy outlined herein will remain unchanged until the objectives below are met.

I. Funding Objectives

The goal in requiring employer and member contributions to the System is to accumulate sufficient assets during a member's employment to fully finance the benefits the member is expected to receive throughout retirement. In meeting this objective, the System will strive to meet the following funding objectives:

- To develop a pattern of contribution rates expressed as a percentage of employer payroll and measured by valuations prepared in accordance with applicable State laws and the principles of practice prescribed by the Actuarial Standards Board.
- To maintain a stable funded ratio (ratio of actuarial value of assets to actuarial accrued liabilities) that reflects a trend of strong actuarial condition. The long-term objective is to maintain a 100% funded ratio; in the event that the funded ratio falls below 100%, the objective will be to obtain a 100% funded ratio over a reasonable period of future years.
- To maintain adequate asset levels to finance the benefits promised to members and monitor the future demand for liquidity.
- To promote intergenerational equity for taxpayers with respect to contributions required for the benefits provided by the System.

II. Measures of Funding Progress

To track progress in achieving the Board's funding objectives, the following measures will be determined annually as of the actuarial valuation date (with due recognition that a single year's results may not be indicative of long-term trends):

- **Funded Ratio** – The funded ratio, defined as the actuarial value of assets divided by the actuarial accrued liability, should remain reasonably stable over time, before adjustments for changes in benefits, actuarial methods, and/or actuarial adjustments. The target funded ratio will be 100 percent. In the event that the funded ratio falls below 100%, the targeted funded ratio will be 100% within 20 years of the date the funded ratio first falls below 100%.
- **Future actuarial gains and losses** – The amortization period for actuarial gains and losses incurred in years following the June 30, 2013 valuation date shall not exceed 20 years beginning with the year after the gain or loss is incurred.
- **Stability of Employer Contribution Rates** – The valuation methodology, including the amortization of any Unfunded Actuarial Accrued Liability (UAAL), would be expected to maintain reasonably stable contribution rates.

III. Methods and Assumptions

The annual actuarial valuations providing the measures to assess funding progress will utilize the actuarial methods and assumptions last adopted by the Board based upon the advice and recommendations of the actuary. These include the following primary methods and assumptions:

- The actuarial cost method used to develop the benchmarks will be the Entry Age Normal (EAN) actuarial cost method.



- The long-term annual investment rate of return assumption will be 7.50% net of expenses.
- The actuarial value of assets will be determined by recognizing the annual differences between actual and expected market value of assets over a five-year period, beginning with the June 30, 2013 actuarial valuation.
 - Prior to the June 30, 2013 valuation, the differences between actual and expected market value of assets were recognized over a seven-year period. For the June 30, 2013 valuation, all then-current deferred gains and losses will be recognized immediately, and the initial new five-year period will begin immediately thereafter.

The employer contribution rates determined in an annual actuarial valuation will be at least sufficient to satisfy the annual normal cost of the System and amortize any UAAL as a level dollar amount over a period not to exceed 20 years.

The actuary shall conduct an investigation into the system's experience at least every five years and utilize the results of the investigation to form the basis for recommended assumptions and methods. Any changes to the recommended assumptions and methods that are approved by the Board will be reflected in this Policy.

IV. Funding Policy Progress

The Board will periodically have actuarial projections of the valuation results performed to assess the current and expected future progress towards the overall funding goals of the System. These periodic projections will provide the expected valuation results over at least a 30-year period. The projected measures of funding progress and the recent historical trend provided in valuations will provide important information for the Board's assessment of the System's funding progress.